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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-52. (Cancelled)

- 53. (Currently Amended) A method for molding a non-circular lens adapted to a wearer's prescription and to the shape of a frame chosen by the wearer, comprising the steps of:
- supplying a non-circular first mold substantially in the shape of the frame chosen by the wearer;
- supplying a second mold;
- molding and curing a setting material between the first mold and a second mold;
- removing the cured material lens from the first and second molds to define the lens, and
- securing the lens to the frame, wherein the periphery of the cured material is not trimmed by more than a few millimeters prior to securing the lens to the frame.
- 54. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 53, wherein the step of supplying a first mold comprises a step of trimming said mold.
- 55. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 53, wherein the curing step is a step of partial curing, and wherein the method further comprises a step of total curing of the lens.
- 56. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 53, wherein the step of molding and curing comprises a step of assembling the molds followed by a curing step.

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57. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 55, wherein the partial curing step lasts less than 3 minutes.

- 58. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 55, wherein the total curing step lasts between 5 and 30 minutes.
- 59. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 55, wherein the step of assembling comprises using mold-positioning devices and wherein the method further comprises a step of removing the mold-positioning devices after the partial curing step and before the total curing step.
- 60. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 56, wherein the partial curing step comprises an irradiation of the setting material [[(4)]] from only one side of the assembly of the first and second molds.
- 61. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 56, wherein the total curing step comprises an irradiation of the setting material [[(4)]] from both sides of the assembly of the first and second molds.
- 62. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 55, wherein the total curing step comprises heating of the setting material.
- 63. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 53 wherein the removing step comprises applying a thermal shock to the assembly of the first and second molds.
- 64. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim 53, wherein the step of supplying a second mold [[(6)]] comprises supplying a second mold in the shape of the lens to be obtained.
- 65. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 64, wherein the step of supplying a second mold comprises a step of trimming said second mold.

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66. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 53, wherein the lens is an ophthalmic lens.

- 67. (Currently Amended) A method for molding a non-circular lens adapted to a wearer's prescription and to the shape of a frame chosen by the wearer, comprising the steps of:
- supplying a non-circular first mold substantially in the shape of the frame chosen by the wearer;
- supplying a second mold;
- molding and curing a setting material between the first mold and a second mold [[(6)]], the second mold being positioned 1 mm or less away from a periphery of the first mold;
- removing the cured material lens obtained from the first and second molds to define the lens; and
- -securing the lens to the frame, wherein the periphery of the cured material is not trimmed by more than a few millimetres prior to securing the lens to the frame.
- 68. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 67, wherein the second mold is positioned to contact the periphery of the first mold.
- 69. (Currently Amended) A method for molding a non-circular lens adapted to a wearer's prescription and to the shape of a frame chosen by the wearer, comprising the steps of:
- supplying a non-circular first mold substantially in the shape of the lens to be obtained;
- supplying a second mold;
- molding and curing a setting material between the first mold and a second mold [[(6)]], the first mold being positioned over the second mold;
- removing the cured material lens from the first and second molds to define the lens; and -securing the lens to the frame, wherein the periphery of the cured material is not trimmed by more than a few millimetres prior to securing the lens to the frame.
- 70. (Previously Presented) The process as claimed in claim 69, wherein the step of molding comprises providing the second mold in a horizontal position.

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71. (Previously Presented) The process as claimed in claim 70, wherein the step of molding comprises:

- positioning the second mold and
- positioning the first mold.
- 72. (Previously Presented) The process as claimed in claim 71, wherein the step of molding comprises, after positioning the second mold, introducing the setting material in the second mold.
- 73. (Previously Presented) The process as claimed in claim 71, wherein the step of molding comprises, after positioning the first mold, injecting the setting material between the molds.
- 74. (Previously Presented) The process as claimed in claim 71, wherein the step of molding comprises, after positioning the second mold, positioning a ring seal.
- 75. (Previously Presented) The process as claimed in claim 69, further comprising the step of providing a ring seal around the first mold.